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Invention: PHYSICAL LAYER AUTO-DISCOVERY FOR MANAGEMENT OF NETWORK ELEMENTS

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**Title:** Physical Layer Auto-Discovery for Management of Network Elements

**The Commissioner of Patents**  
**Washington, D.C. 20231**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to the Examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

**In the Substitute Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 23, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- FIGS. 5A and 5B depict the method steps of a network management system initiated update in accordance with an aspect of our invention; and --